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From

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Subject:

Self-Extinguishing Cigarettes

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As you know, the furniture industry is attempting to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to act on a petition to prescribe standards for self-extinguishing cigarettes. Recently the furniture industry asked the Senate Commerce Committee to amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to enlarge the Commission's jurisdiction to include cigarettes as a source of fires.

On March 5 Senator Frank E. Moss wrote to Dr. Gio Gori inquiring whether there have been any studies "on the health hazards involved in self-extinguishing cigarettes." Dr. Gori replied on March 12 that: "The overall understanding we have accumulated on the relationship of combustion characteristics and chronic pathogenic effects of cigarette smoke indicates that a reduction of the burning rate is likely to increase condensate (tar), carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides emission per cigarette, and therefore to increase the risk of lung cancer, cardiovascular disease and emphysema in the smoker."

Copies of the letters exchanged by Dr. Gori and Senator Moss are attached for your information.

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